

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JAMES H. TAYLOR, SR.,) CASE NO. C07-1795-MAT
Plaintiff,)
v.) ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S
MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,) MOTION FOR AN ORDER OF
Commissioner of Social Security,) REDACTION
Defendant.)

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Defendant moved the Court for an order of redaction of personally identifiable information of an individual other than plaintiff from the administrative record. (Dkt. 14.) Defendant noted that a witness's taxpayer identification number had not been redacted from the administrative record. Plaintiff did not respond to defendant's motion.

In accordance with the General Order of the Court regarding Public Access to Electronic Case Files, pursuant to the official policy on privacy adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States, the Court does require omission or redaction of private information in pleadings filed with the Court. However, in contrast to pleadings filed with the Court, administrative records in Social Security cases are not publically accessible. Accordingly, defendant's request for redaction is not necessary and his motion is hereby DENIED. The Court and the parties will,

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01 of course, continue to refrain from including the private information accounted for in the Court's
02 General Order in any future pleadings.

03 DATED this 25th day of March, 2008.

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07 United States Magistrate Judge
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